Listing of the Claims:

The following is a complete listing of all the claims in the application, with an indication of the status of each:

30. (Currently Amended) A method for providing entity valuation data <u>for financial instruments</u>, comprising:

receiving, at a reference data provider, an information data stream generated from each of a given plurality of entity valuation information vendors, each information data stream identifying the generating entity valuation information vendor <u>and</u> stated monetary value of at least one subject entity which is a financial instrument;

receiving a service arrangement data identifying an authorized information vendor list for each of a plurality of customers, said authorized information vendor list identifying entity valuation information vendors from among said plurality of entity valuation information vendors to which the customer has a given authorization to receive said vendor information data stream;

storing said service arrangement data at said reference data provider;

storing, at said reference data provider, a default rule for each of said customers, said default rule based at least in part on the customer stored service arrangement data, said default rule specifying an algorithm for generating a Best Known Value Available (*BKVA*) of a given subject entity;

computer-implemented generating, for at least one given subject entity, a best known value data (*BKV*), based on a collection of all of said entity valuation information vendor respective information data streams that include the respective vendor stated monetary value of said subject entity;

<u>computer-implemented</u> forming a set *H* of all of said entity valuation information vendors whose generated information data stream

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28	includes the generating vehicle stated monetary value of said subject
29	entity;
30	computer-implemented generating for each of at least one of
31	said customers, for said at least one given subject entity, a customer-
32	specific BKVA, wherein said generating compares said customer
33	authorized vendor list to said set H and sets said customer's customer-
34	specific BKVA of the subject entity to be said BKV if at least one of the
35	vendors identified by the customer authorized vendor list is within set
36	H, else sets said customer customer-specific BKVA of the subject
37	entity in accordance with said default rule stored for said customer,
38	wherein said setting includes applying said default rule algorithm to the
39	information data stream of at least one of the entity valuation
40	information vendor identified by the customer authorized vendor list,
41	the generating of the customer-specific BKVA being performed without
42	knowledge of the data supplied by vendors to which the customer for
43	which the customer-specific BKVA is generated does not subscribe;
44	and
45 '	transmitting to each of at least one of said customers the
46	customer-specific BKVA of the subject entity;
47	while ensuring that no customer is aware of, has access to, or
48	otherwise benefits from a vendor data content unsubscribed for that

customer.